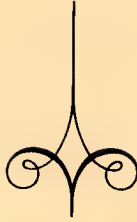
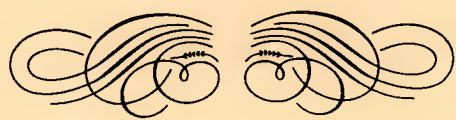


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Montana Historical Society  
Education Program  
225 North Roberts  
Helena, MT 59620

ABSAROKA FINE ARTS  
% AYLETT IRVING  
ABSAROKEE 59001

Contact person: Aylett Irving,  
Secretary

Phone number: 326-4605

Governing authority: Private: (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis: Montana art

Hours and admission prices: Exhibits  
in local banks. No admission  
charged.

STILLWATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

RT. 1, BOX 54

ABSAROOKEE 59001

Contact person: Isabel Johnson

Phone number: 328-4437

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of the museum: History  
of the area.

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

ANACONDA-DEER LODGE COUNTY HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
CITY HALL CENTER  
401 E. COMMERCIAL AVENUE  
ANACONDA 59711

Contact person: Robert D. Vine,  
President

Phone number: 563-3639

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1984

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Deer Lodge County and the  
Anaconda Company

Hours and admission prices:  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday

COPPER VILLAGE MUSEUM AND ART CENTER  
CITY HALL CENTER  
401 COMMERCIAL  
ANACONDA 59711

Contact person: Carol Jette,  
Director

Phone number: 563-2422

Governing authority: County.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1971

Type of museum: History and art

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the area; Anaconda Copper  
mining history

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday  
Adults: \$1.00  
Children under 12 free.

BAINVILLE MUSEUM, BAINVILLE  
AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BAINVILLE 59212

Contact person: Dave Harmon

Phone number: 769-2596

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Pioneer times

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Sunday

No admission charged.

O'FALLON HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
COURTHOUSE COMPLEX, BAKER 59393

Contact person: Kathryn Larson

Phone number: 778-3265

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1968

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: history of  
Fallon County

Hours and admission prices:

10:00 am-12:00, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Year round. Sunday - Friday

No admission charged.



HUNTLEY PROJECT MUSEUM OF IRRIGATED  
AGRICULTURE  
BOX 86  
BALLINTINE 59006

Contact person: Charles Banderob,  
Coordinator

Phone number: 967-3464

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1974

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of a people on the land;  
history of irrigated agriculture;  
over 4000 items.

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 4:30 pm, every day,  
except inclement weather  
No admission charged.

BELT MUSEUM ASSOCIATION  
BELT 59412

Contact person: Ethel M. Kennedy  
Box 233  
Belt, MT 59412

Phone number: 277-3366

Governing authority: Board of  
Trustees

Founded: 1987

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Belt; local art

Hours and admission prices:  
Memorial Day - Labor Day:  
11:00 am - 4:00 pm, week-ends  
and holidays  
No admission charged.

MOSS MANSION  
914 DIVISION  
BILLINGS 59101

Contact person: Ruth Towe

Phone number: 256-5100

Governing authority: Billings  
Preservation Society

Founded: Opened to the public  
in 1986

Type of museum: Restored historic  
house

Major emphasis of museum: Former  
residence of Treston B. Moss;  
maintained as originally fur-  
nished and decorated.

Hours and admission prices:  
May through September:  
11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Tuesday,  
Thursday, Saturday and Sunday  
Reduced fall and winter hours  
Special arrangements for group  
tours

Adults	\$5.00
Senior citizens	\$4.00
Children under 12	\$3.00
20 or more people in a group	\$4.00

OSCAR'S DREAMLAND: AMUSEMENT PARK AND  
YESTERYEAR MUSEUM  
RT 9, WEST OF BILLINGS  
BILLINGS 59102

Contact person: Oscar O. Cooke

Phone number: 656-0966 (museum)  
245-4598

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1966

Type of museum: General; restored  
historic buidlings

Major emphasis of museum: Amusement  
park; antique tractors, cars,  
steam engines; restored  
buildings

Hours and admission prices:  
May 1 until snowfall:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
Adults \$5.00  
Age 12-16 \$2.50  
Age 6-12 \$1.50  
Under 6 free  
Special group rates

PETER YEGEN, JR. YELLOWSTONE COUNTY  
MUSEUM  
LOGAN FIELD  
BILLINGS 59101

Contact person: Wallace and Hazel  
Heicksen, Curators

Phone number: 256-6811

Governing authority: County:

Founded: 1953

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Western  
history

Hours and admission prices:  
10:30 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
Free admission

WESTERN HERITAGE CENTER  
2822 MONTANA AVENUE  
BILLINGS 59101

Contact person: Lynda Moss, Director

Phone number: 256-6809

Governing authority: County: (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1971

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
the Yellowstone River region

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
No admission charged.

YELLOWSTONE ART CENTER  
401 NORTH 27th STREET  
BILLINGS 59101

Contact person: Donna Forbes, Director

Phone number: 256-6804

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt) and non-profit Founda-  
tion

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Historical  
and contemporary art exhibitions

Hours and admission prices:  
11:00 am- 5:00 pm., Tuesday-  
Saturday  
12:00- 5:00 pm, Sunday  
Thursday evening until 8:00 pm  
No admission charged.

GALLATIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
317 WEST MAIN  
BOZEMAN 59715

Contact person: Grace Bates,  
President

Phone number: 282-7220  
585-1311 (museum)

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Gallatin  
County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

Winter:

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Tuesday  
and Thursday

Group tours by appointment

No admission charged.



MONTANA INSTITUTE OF THE ARTS  
FOUNDATION  
P. O. BOX 1872  
BOZEMAN 59771

Contact person: John C. Barsness

Phone number: 585-9551

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1966

MUSEUM OF THE ROCKIES  
MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
BOZEMAN 59717-0040

Contact person: David L. Salay,  
Director

Phone number: 994-2251

Governing authority: State

Founded: 1952

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Prehistory;  
history and culture of the Northern  
Rocky Mountain region including  
paleontology and archaeology;  
planetarium

Hours and Admission prices:

Memorial Day to Labor Day:

9:00 am - 9:00 pm, daily

Winter hours:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

12:30 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Closed Monday

Planetarium open all museum hours  
plus 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm, Friday  
and Saturday

Adults \$3.00

Children \$2.00

Planetarium ticket \$2.50

Free admission for members.

POWDER RIVER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BOX 575  
CORNER OF PARK AND WILSON STREETS  
BROADUS 59317

Contact person: Don Heidel or Ann  
Carroll

Phone number: 436-2276 or 436-2449

Governing authority: Private (non-  
profit corporation)

Founded: 1981; museum and visitors  
center opened 1988

Type of museum: History

Hours and admission prices:  
Memorial Day through September:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday -  
Saturday  
No admission charged.

MUSEUM OF MONTANA WILDLIFE  
HIGHWAY 2 AND 89  
BROWNING 59417

Contact person: Robert M. Scriver,  
Director

Phone number: 338-5425

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1953

Type of museum: Montana wildlife

Major emphasis of museum: Wildlife  
and conservation; art gallery

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily

Adults \$2.00

Children \$ .50

Discounts for groups

MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS INDIAN AND CRAFT  
CENTER

P. O. BOX 400  
BROWNING 59417

Contact person: Lore Pepion, Super-  
visor

Phone number: 338-2230

Governing authority: Department of  
Interior

Founded: 1941

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Northern  
Plains Indian culture

Hours and admission prices:

June - September:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily

October - May:

10:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

ARTS CHATEAU  
321 WEST BROADWAY  
BUTTE 59701

Contact person: Sharon Knauth,  
Director

Phone number: 723-7600

Governing authority: Independent;  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: Art; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Montana  
art; period building and  
furnishings

Hours and admission prices:

Winter hours:

11:00 am - 4:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Summer hours:

10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Adults: \$2.00

Children under 12 accompanied by an  
adult are free.

BUTTE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 3913  
BUTTE 59701

Contact person: Sara McClernan

Phone number: 782-8438

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Preservation  
of Butte history

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

BUTTE-SILVER BOW PUBLIC ARCHIVES  
P. O. BOX 81  
17 WEST QUARTZ STREET  
BUTTE 59703

Contact person: Ellen Crain,  
Director

Phone: 723-8262, ext 306

Governing authority: County,  
affiliated with Historical  
Society; (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1979

Type of museum: Historical archives

Major emphasis of museum: Documents  
about Butte history

Hours and admission prices:  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday  
and Tuesday  
12:00 - 4:00 pm, Thursday  
No admission charged.



THE COPPER KING MANSION  
219 WEST GRANITE  
BUTTE 59701

Contact person: Ann Cote Smith

Phone number: 782-7580

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1967

Type of museum: Restored historic  
building

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
W. A. Clark; period furnishings

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily; year  
round

Adults:	\$4.00
College student	3.50
Senior citizen	3.50
High school	2.50
Children	1.50
Under 6	Free

Restaurant open for dinner:  
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
Tuesday - Sunday

MINERAL MUSEUM AT MONTANA TECH CAMPUS  
MONTANA COLLEGE OF MINERAL  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
BUTTE 59701

Contact person: Richard B. Berg,  
Curator

Phone number: 496-4414

Governing authority: State

Founded: 1901

Type of museum: Mineral

Major emphasis of museum: Diversity  
of minerals

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily

Winter:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged

WORLD MUSEUM OF MINING  
BOX 3333  
BUTTE 59702

Contact person: Ron Oswald, Manager

Phone number: 723-7211

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: mining  
equipment and memorabilia;  
"Hell Roarin' Gulch" - reconstruction of a turn-of-the  
century mining camp with some  
restored historic structures

Hours and admission prices:  
Mid-June - Labor Day:  
9:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Closed late November, December,  
January, February, March  
Rest of year:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Closed Mondays  
No admission charged.

LIBERTY COUNTY MUSEUM ASSOCIATION  
BOX 205  
CHESTER 59522

Contact person: Florence Fredrickson,  
President

Phone number: 759-5274

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1969

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm -  
9:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

LIBERTY VILLAGE ARTS CENTER AND  
GALLERY  
BOX 269, MAIN STREET  
CHESTER 59522

Contact person: Nancy Harrison,  
Director

Phone: 759-5652

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Art center

Major emphasis of museum: Art shows

Hours and admission prices:  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday  
through Friday and Sunday  
No admission charged.

BLAINE COUNTY MUSEUM  
501 INDIANA  
P. O. BOX 927  
CHINOOK 59523

Contact person: Madeleine Marsonette,  
Manager

Phone number: 357-2590

Governing authority: County

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Indian  
artifacts; paleontology

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Sunday

Winter:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

OLD TRAIL MUSEUM  
JUNCTION HIGHWAY 89 and 287  
P. O. BOX 919  
CHOTEAU 59422

Contact person: John Brandvold

Phone number: 446-5332 (museum)  
469-2314

Governing authority: Non-profit  
Tax-exempt

Founded: 1985

Type of museum: History and art;  
dinosaurs; Native Americans

Major emphasis of museum: Paleontology;  
Native Americans; local history

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
Summer  
No admission charged.

MCCONE COUNTY MUSEUM  
CIRCLE 59215

Contact person: Orville Quick,  
Curator

Phone number: 485-2414

Governing authority: County

Founded: 1953

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading and ranching; Montana  
Wildlife Collection

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday-  
Friday

Adults - \$1.00

High School .50



ROSEBUD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BOX 430  
COLSTRIP 59323

Contact person: Tereasa Taylor

Phone number: 748-3450

Governing authority: Board of  
Directors

Founded: 1987

Type of museum: History, art,  
culture

Major emphasis of museum: Historical  
and cultural education

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

MUSEUM OF THE BEARTOOTHHS  
P.O. BOX 1  
COLUMBUS 59019

Contact person: Bernard VanEvery

Phone number: 332-5604

Governing authority: Stillwater  
Historical Society

Founded: 1987

Type of Museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Interpretation of the Stillwater and Beartooth areas; acquisitions and archives

Hours and admission prices:  
Temporary exhibit space open only in summer  
Construction on new museum building scheduled for late 1990.  
No admission charged.

PONDERA COUNTY MUSEUM GROUP  
ROUTE 1, BOX 3  
CONRAD 59425

Contact person: Robert Moritz

Phone number: 278-3319

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1976

Type of organization: Historical  
society

Major emphasis: Pondera County

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

COOKE CITY AND NEW WORLD MUSEUM  
AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 1002  
COOKE CITY 59020

Winter Address: % Margaret Reeb  
P. O. Box 301  
Livingston 59047

Contact person: Margaret Reeb,  
President

Phone number: 838-2341  
222-6739 (winter)

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
the New World and the Cooke City  
area

Hours and admission prices:  
To be announced.

CUSTER BATTLEFIELD HISTORICAL AND  
MUSEUM ASSOCIATION, INC.  
BOX 39  
CROW AGENCY 59022

Contact person: LeAnn Simpson,  
Executive Director

Phone number: 638-2382

Governing authority: National Park  
Service

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Battle  
of the Little Big Horn

Hours and admission prices:  
Varies throughout the year.

CUSTER BATTLEFIELD NATIONAL MONUMENT  
CROW AGENCY 59022

Contact person: Barbara Booher, Supt.  
Douglas McChristian,  
Chief historian

Phone number: 638-2621

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1940

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Battle of  
the Little Bighorn; clash of  
cultures

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm, daily  
Year round with expanded summer  
hours  
\$1.00 per person or  
\$3.00 per car

NORTHEAST THRESHERS AND ANTIQUE  
ASSOCIATION  
S. E. OF CULBERTSON  
CULBERTSON 59218

Contact person: Rodney Iverson

Phone number: 787-5265

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: Agricultural

Major emphasis of museum: Agricul-  
tural developemnt in Montana

Hours and admission prices:  
Fourth weekend of September:  
7:30 am to sundown, Saturday  
and Sunday  
\$3.00 entrance fee.

JUNCTION CITY MEMORIAL PARK  
P. O. BOX 106  
CUSTER 59024

Contact person: Lee Perrin,  
President

Phone number: 856-4156

Governing authority: County:  
affiliated with local Park  
Board

Founded: 1985

Type of museum: Restored historic  
building

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Custer and the original  
Junction City

Hours and admission prices: To  
be announced.



GLACIER COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 576  
CUT BANK 59427

Contact person: Mary Jane Moore,  
President

Phone number: 873-2157  
873-5352 (museum)

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1980

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Glacier County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday-  
Friday

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Sunday

Winter:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday-  
Friday

No admission charged.

PIONEER MEMORIAL MUSEUM  
COUNCIL PARK  
DARBY 59829

Contact person: Elaine Wright,  
Museum Chairperson

Phone number: 821-4503

Governing authority: City;  
affiliated with the Bitter-  
root Historical Society

Founded: 1948

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the Darby area

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

No admission charged.

GRANT-KOHR'S RANCH NATIONAL HISTORIC  
SITE

P. O. BOX 790  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: Eddie Lopez, Super-  
intendent

Phone number: 846-2070

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic buildings; historic  
house with original furnishings

Major emphasis of museum: Frontier  
cattle era; cattle ranching

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 4:30 pm (subject  
to change)

Winter:

9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Adult - \$1.00; maximum \$3.00  
per car

MONTANA LAW ENFORCEMENT MUSEUM, INC.  
P. O. BOX 107  
IN THE OLD MONTANA STATE PRISON  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: T. L. Tyler,  
Coordinator

Phone: 563-5426

Governing Authority: Law enforcement  
professional associations of  
Montana

Founded: Organized, 1984; re-orga-  
nized, 1987; incorporated, 1988

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
law enforcement in Montana;  
memorial to officers killed in  
the line of duty

Hours and admission prices:  
May 15 - fall season:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday  
By appointment at other times  
See Old Montana State Prison  
for admission prices.

OLD MONTANA PRISON  
1106 MAIN  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: Andrew Towe

Phone number: 846-3111

Governing authority: Powell County  
Museum and Arts Foundation.  
Private, non-profit.

Founded: 1980

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Ter-  
ritorial and state prison  
history

Hours and admission prices:  
Self-guided tours daily  
Summer: guided tours at 11:00 am,  
1:00 and 3:00 pm  
Winter: guided tours by pre-  
arrangement  
Adults: \$4.00  
Children: \$1.75

POWELL COUNTY MUSEUM  
1119 MAIN STREET  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: Frances Helton

Phone number: 846-3294

Governing authority: Powell County  
Museum and Arts Foundation;  
non-profit

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Preserving  
and interpreting the history of  
Powell County and the Deer  
Lodge Valley

Hours and admission prices:  
June, July, August:  
12:00 noon - 6:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged.

TOWE FORD MUSEUM  
1106 MAIN STREET  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: Andrew Towe

Phone number: 846-3111

Governing authority: Powell County  
Museum and Arts Foundation.  
Private, non-profit

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Antique  
Ford cars

Hours and admission prices:

April and May:

8:30 am - 5:30 pm, daily

Memorial Day - Labor Day:

8:00 am - 9:00 pm, daily

September and October:

8:30 am - 5:30 pm, daily

November through March:

9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

10:30 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday  
and Sunday

Self guided tours daily; guided  
group tours by pre-arrangement

Adults: \$4:00

Children \$1.75

YESTERDAY'S PLAYTHINGS  
1017 MAIN  
DEER LODGE 59722

Contact person: Genevieve Hostetter

Phone number: 846-1480

Governing authority: Powell County  
Museum and Arts Foundation.

Founded:

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: dolls  
toys

Hours and admission prices:  
May 15 through September 15:  
10:00 am - 7:00 pm, daily  
Adults: \$2.00  
Children: \$ .50



BEAVERHEAD COUNTY MUSEUM  
BOX 830  
15 SOUTH MONTANA STREET  
DILLON 59725

Contact person: Helen Andrus,  
President

Phone number: 683-5511

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1947

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: County  
history; mining and agriculture

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, weekdays

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, weekends

Winter:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

SOUTHWEST MONTANA ART GALLERY  
CORNER OF CENTER & IDAHO STREETS  
436 S. DAKOTA STREET (mail)  
DILLON 59725

Contact person: Jinny Greitl

Phone number: 683-4923

Governing authority: City

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Local art

Hours and admission prices:  
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, weekdays  
No admission charged.

WESTERN MONTANA COLLEGE GALLERY/MUSEUM  
710 SOUTH ATLANTIC  
DILLON 59725

Contact person: Sylvia Kimzey,  
Director

Phone number: 683-7126 or 683-5754

Governing authority: Western Montana  
college (Jim Corr, gallery super-  
visor)

Type of museum: Art; wildlife trophy  
collection

Major emphasis of museum:  
Education through traveling shows;  
permanent collection and student art;  
(Seidensticker Wildlife Collection)

Hours and admission prices:  
12:00 to 4:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Tuesday and  
Thursday  
Weekends by demand  
No admission charged.

CARTER COUNTY MUSEUM  
EKALAKA 59324

Contact person: Marshall E. Lambert,  
Director

Phone number: 775-6886 (museum)  
775-6327 (home)

Governing authority: County (tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1945

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Natural  
history; local history

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 12:00 noon, and  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Saturday  
and Sunday  
Closed Mondays and major holidays  
No admission charged.

KOOTENAI CULTURAL PROGRAM  
BOX 1452  
ELMO 59915

Contact person: Patricia Hewankorn,  
Director

Phone number: 849-5541

Governing authority: Tribal. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: Cultural program

Major emphasis of museum: Kootenai  
culture and heritage.

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
No admission charged.

CHARGING BEAR INDIAN MUSEUM  
AND TRADING POST  
P. O. BOX 276  
315 WEST MAIN  
ENNIS 59729

Contact person: Bill Hancock, Owner

Phone number: 682-7500  
682-7177 (residence)

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: American  
Indian; western Americana; law  
enforcement

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday during summer.  
Winter hours: Tue., Wed.,  
Thurs., or by appointment for  
the balance of the week  
No admission charged.

"PASSIN' IT ON" MUSEUM  
315 WEST MAIN  
P. O. BOX 187  
ENNIS 59729

Contact person: Dan Hayek

Phone number: 682-7500 (museum)  
682-4949 (home)

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1989

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: American  
Indian and western americana

Hours and admission prices:  
Collection on display at "Charging  
Bear Indian Museum"  
9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday  
No admission charged.

TOBACCO VALLEY IMPROVEMENT ASSN.  
"HISTORIC VILLAGE"  
EUREKA 59917

Contact person: Barbara Larson

Phone number: 889-3556

Governing authority: Private (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1971

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the area

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, daily,

No admission charged.



ROSEBUD COUNTY PIONEER MUSEUM  
BOX 419  
FORSYTH 59327

Contact person: Robert O. Burnes

Phone number: 356-7977

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1966

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Rosebud County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 7:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged.

MONTANA AGRICULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM  
OF THE NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS  
P. O. BOX 262  
FORT BENTON 59442

Contact person: John G. Lepley

Phone number: 622-3278

Governing authority: State of Montana;  
associated with the Fort Benton  
Improvement Association

Founded: 1986; museum opened in 1989.

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Past, present and future of agriculture in the northern great plains; this is the official state museum of agriculture.

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, May to  
September

MUSEUM OF THE UPPER MISSOURI  
FRONT AND 18TH STREETS  
FORT BENTON 59442

Contact person: John G. Lepley

Phone number: 622-3278

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with Fort Benton  
Improvement Association

Founded: 1957

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: life,  
transportation, and history of  
the Upper Missouri

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm,  
daily  
No admission charged

MUSEUM OF THE ROCKS, FORT PECK  
MUSEUM  
BOX 208  
FORT PECK 59223

Contact person: Stan Gliko, Project  
Engineer

Phone number: 526-3431

Governing authority: U. S. Army  
Corps of Engineers

Founded: 1962

Type of museum: Natural history;  
paleontology

Major emphasis of museum: Fossils;  
life 40 million years ago

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged

BIGHORN CANYON NATIONAL RECREATION  
AREA  
FORT SMITH 59035

Contact person: Paul Gordon

Phone number: 666-2412

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1968

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Recreation  
water recreation

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am to 6:00 pm, daily

Winter:

8:00 am to 4:30 pm, daily

No admission charged.

VALLEY COUNTY PIONEER MUSEUM  
GLASGOW 59230

Contact person: James Christinson,  
President

Phone number: 228-2702

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1962

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Pioneer  
days of Valley County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

FRONTIER GATEWAY MUSEUM  
P. O. BOX 1181  
EAST OF GLENDIVE, BELLE PRAIRIE  
ROAD, OFF I-94  
GLENDIVE 59330

Contact person: Louise Cross

Phone number: 365-4123

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1963

Type of museum: History - pre-historic to modern

Major emphasis of museum: City of Glendive and the County.  
Complex of 8 buildings on one acre.

Hours and admission prices:

May and September:

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Summer:

9:00 am - 12:00 noon and

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

CASCADE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
AND ARCHIVES  
PARIS GIBSON SQUARE  
1400 1ST AVE. NORTH  
GREAT FALLS 59401

Contact person: Cindy Kittredge,  
Director

Phone number: 452-3462

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with Cascade Co.  
Historical Society (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
the Cascade County area

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday  
12:00 - 5:00 pm, Saturday and  
Sunday  
No admission charged.



C. M. RUSSELL LOG CABIN STUDIO  
1215 4TH AVE NORTH  
GREAT FALLS, 59401

Contact person: Tom Brayshaw

Phone number: 727-8787

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with the Trigg  
Foundation

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Charles  
M. Russell and his work

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm,  
Monday - Friday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
Winter: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm,  
Tuesday - Saturday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
No admission charged.

C. M. RUSSELL MUSEUM  
400 13TH STREET NORTH  
GREAT FALLS, 59401

Contact person: Tom Brayshaw

Phone number: 727-8787

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with Trigg Foundation  
Board of Trustees. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1953

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Paintings,  
drawings, and sculptures of  
Indians, cowboys and wildlife  
of the West

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm,  
Monday-Friday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
Winter: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm,  
Tuesday - Saturday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
Adults - \$3.00  
Students and seniors - \$1.50

GREAT FALLS GENEALOGY SOCIETY  
PARIS GIBSON SQUARE  
1400 1ST AVENUE NORTH  
GREAT FALLS 59401

Contact person: Mickey Brown,  
President

Phone number: 761-0102

Governing authority: Independent  
(tax-exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: Historical library

Major emphasis of museum: Family  
history

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Saturday  
No admission charged.

MALMSTROM HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MALMSTROM AIR FORCE BASE  
606 BETH DRIVE  
GREAT FALLS 59405

Contact person: Duane C. Hedahl  
2225 9th Ave. So.  
Great Falls 59405

Phone number: 761-2007

Governing authority: Malmstrom  
Historical Foundation, Inc.

Type of museum: Military,  
especially the U. S. Air Force

Major emphasis of museum: Individual  
displays of units which are or  
have been assigned to Malmstrom

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

12:00 noon - 3:00 pm, Monday-  
Saturday

Winter:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Group tours arranged

No admission charged.

Gift shop open.

MEHMKE'S STEAM MUSEUM  
HIGHWOOD STAR ROUTE  
EAST OF GREAT FALLS ON HWY  
87-89  
GREAT FALLS, 59401

Contact person: Carl Mehmke, owner

Phone number: 452-6571

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1953

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Montana  
tractors and antique farm  
machinery

Hours and admission prices:

Open daily

Donation - \$2.00

MONTANA ART GALLERY DIRECTORS  
ASSOCIATION (MAGDA)  
1400 FIRST AVE. NORTH  
GREAT FALLS 59401

Contact person: Patty Bergquist

Phone number: 761-1797

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: Membership  
organization

Major emphasis of museum: Provides  
quality traveling exhibitions  
at nominal costs to the state's  
art institutions.

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

MUSEUMS ASSOCIATION OF MONTANA

Contact person: Jan Postler  
C. M. Russell Museum  
400 13th Street No.  
Great Falls, MT 59401

Phone number: 727-8787

Governing authority: Independent.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1970

Type of museum: Not applicable

Major emphasis: Improving commu-  
nications among Montana's  
museums

PARIS GIBSON SQUARE  
CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART  
1400 FIRST AVENUE NORTH  
GREAT FALLS 59401

Contact person: Vicki Everson,  
Director

Phone number: 727-8255

Governing authority: Private (tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Community art  
center

Major emphasis of museum: Contem-  
porary art

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday  
12:00 - 5:00 pm, Saturday and  
Sunday  
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm, Tuesday  
Open Mondays from June 1 to  
August 31  
No admission charged.



DALY MANSION  
P. O. BOX 223  
EASTSIDE HIGHWAY  
HAMILTON 59840

Contact person: Bill Bisbee,  
Director, or Jeanette  
McKee, Treasurer

Phone: 363-6004

Governing authority: Board of  
Directors

Founded: 1987 opened to public

Type of museum: Historic house

Major emphasis of museum: history  
of Marcus Daly

Hours and admission prices:

11:00 am - 4:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Sunday. Closed Monday.

Admission to grounds - \$1.00

Tours:

Adults: \$5.00

Children \$2.00

Special rates for groups of  
over 25 \$4.00

RAVALLI COUNTY MUSEUM  
205 BEDFORD  
OLD COURTHOUSE  
HAMILTON 59840

Contact person: Erma Owings,  
Director

Phone number: 363-3338

Governing authority: County;  
affiliated with Bitterroot  
Valley Historical Society  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1979

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the Bitterroot Valley

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Winter:

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged.

RICKETTS MEMORIAL MUSEUM  
% RAVALLI COUNTY MUSEUM  
205 BEDFORD  
OLD COURTHOUSE  
HAMILTON 59840

Contact person: Erma Owings

Phone number: 363-3338

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1960

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Spotted fever; work of the Rocky Mountain Laboratory

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday - Friday

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Winter:

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Monday, Wednesday and Friday

2:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged.

BIG HORN COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
AND VISITORS CENTER  
RT. 1, BOX 1206 A  
HARDIN 59034

Contact person: Scott Kuhr

Phone number: 665-1671

Governing authority: County.(Tax-exempt)

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Homestead  
era (1900-1950)

Hours and admission prices:

June, July, August

9:00 am - 8:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Services in restored 1917 church:  
10:00 am

September

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

October - May

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

Closed Sunday and Monday

No admission charged.

THE JAILHOUSE GALLERY, BIGHORN ARTS  
AND CRAFTS ASSOCIATION  
P. O. BOX 505  
812 NORTH CENTER AVENUE  
HARDIN 59034

Contact person: Billie Noyes,  
Betty Whaley

Phone number: 665-3239

Governing authority: Private.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: Art center

Major emphasis of museum: Art  
education

Hours and admission prices:  
12:00 noon to 5:00 pm, Tuesday-  
Saturday  
No admission charged.

YELLOWTAIL VISITOR CENTER

P. O. BOX 518

YRS HARDIN 59035

Contact person: Harold Hergenrider

Phone number: 666-2443

Governing authority: Federal, Bureau  
of Reclamation

Founded: 1982

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Construc-  
tion of the Yellowtail Dam;  
geology of the site

Hours and admission prices:

Memorial Day - Labor Day

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily

Winter:

By appointment

No admission charged.

UPPER MUSSELSHELL HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MUSEUM  
11 SOUTH CENTRAL AVE  
HARLOWTOWN 59036

Contact person: Warren Elwood

Phone number: 632-5666  
632-5519 (museum)

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1984

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Local  
history

Hours and admission prices:  
May 1 - October 1  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged.

FORT ASSINIBOINE PRESERVATION ASSN.  
P. O. BOX 230  
HAVRE 59501

Contact person: Robert Lucke

Phone number: 265-4383

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1987

Type of organization: Preservation

Major emphasis: Fort Assiniboine

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

Guided tours in the "Blackjack"

7:00 pm - Wednesday and Friday

2:00 pm - Sunday

Tours start from the Clack  
Museum

Adults: \$2.00

Children: \$1.00



H. EARL AND MARGARET TURNER CLACK  
MEMORIAL MUSEUM  
BOX 1484  
HAVRE 59501

Contact person: Elinor Clack,  
Curator

Phone number 265-9913  
265-5152

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: History; archaeology

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
north central area and pre-his-  
toric archaeology relating to  
Wahkpa ch'gn National Historic  
site

Hours and admission prices:

May 15 - September 15

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Other times by appointment.

No admission charged.

Special tours:

Bison kill tours - 7:00 pm on  
Tuesday and Thursday in July  
and August

Tours of Ft. Assinniboine

7:00 pm on Wednesday and Friday,  
and 2:00 pm on Sunday

Regular tours: \$1.50 per adult,  
.50 per child over 5

Private tours by appointment - \$2.50  
per adult, .50 children over 5

NORTHERN MONTANA COLLEGE COLLECTIONS  
MATH SCIENCE BUILDING  
NORTHERN MONTANA COLLEGE  
HAVRE 59501

Contact person: Louis Hagener

Phone number: 265-7821 ext. 3285  
265-5205

Governing authority: State

Founded: 1949

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Natural  
history; Indian materials

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
No admission charged

ARCHIE BRAY FOUNDATION  
2915 COUNTRY CLUB  
HELENA 59601

Contact person: Carol Roorbach,  
Director

Phone number: 443-3502

Governing authority: Independent

Founded: 1951

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Ceramic  
art forms

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday  
No admission charged.

FRONTIER TOWN

P. O. BOX 836

14 MILES WEST OF HELENA ON

HIGHWAY 12

HELENA 59601

Contact person: Sue Quigley,  
Owner

Phone number: 442-4560

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1947

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Pioneer  
days

Hours and admission prices:

April through October:

9:00 am - 10:00 pm, daily

Adults: \$2.00 ticket or \$3.00  
token redeemable in gift shop  
or restaurant.

Children, 7-12: \$1.00 ticket

Under 7: Free

HOLTER MUSEUM OF ART  
12 EAST LAWRENCE STREET  
HELENA 59601

Contact person: James Poor

Phone number: 442-6400

Governing authority: Private,  
Helena Arts Council

Founded: 1987

Type of museum: Fine arts

Major emphasis of museum: con-  
temporary art exhibits and  
educational programs

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday  
12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
No admission charged.

LAST CHANCE GULCH RESTORATION ASSN.  
212 SOUTH PARK AVENUE  
HELENA 59601

Contact person: Barbara Coleman,  
President. Mailing address:  
124 Briarwood Lane, Helena 59601

Phone number: 442-6357

Governing authority: Independent.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1939

Type of museum: History, restored  
historic building

Hours and admission prices:  
Contact Caretaker.  
Phone: 443-7641  
No admission charged.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 915  
HELENA 59624

Contact person: Harriet Meloy

Phone number: 442-8112

Governing authority: City-county.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1989

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Helena and Lewis and Clark  
County; special events and  
tours.

Hours and admission prices:  
Not applicable.

LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE MUSEUM  
1635 SIERRA ROAD EAST  
HELENA 59601

Contact person: Floy Peterson

Phone number: 458-9249

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1981

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Restored  
historic building (built in  
1888)

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Friday

Closed winter months.

Open for tours and private groups  
by appointment only.

Available to groups for picnics  
and meetings by calling  
458-9249.



MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL  
48 NORTH LAST CHANCE GULCH  
HELENA 59620

Contact person: David E. Nelson

Phone number: 444-6430

Governing authority: State

Founded: 1967

Type of museum: Not applicable

Major emphasis of museum: Not  
applicable

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
225 NORTH ROBERTS  
HELENA 59620

Contact person: Lawrence Sommer,  
Director

Phone number: 444-2694

Governing authority: State (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1865

Type of museum: History and art;  
archives and library

Major emphasis of museum: Montana  
history, Charles M. Russell

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer (Memorial Day through  
Labor Day)  
8:00 am - 6:00 pm, weekdays  
9:00 am - 6:00 pm, weekends  
and holidays  
Winter  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm, weekdays  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday  
Closed Sunday and holidays  
No admission charged.

ORIGINAL GOVERNOR'S MANSION  
304 NORTH EWING  
HELENA 59601

Contact person: Sue Near,  
Montana Historical Society

Phone number: 444-3115 (Mansion)  
Call 444-4789 to make reservations for special tours.

Governing authority: State of  
Montana, Montana Historical  
Society

Type of museum: Historic house  
museum

Major emphasis of museum: Life-  
style of Montana's governors  
between 1913 and the 1st  
World War

Hours and admission prices:  
June - August: open Tuesday -  
Sunday  
May, April, Sept. - Dec.  
open Tuesday - Saturday  
Tours begin on the hour, every  
hour from 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm.  
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January - March: tours by  
appointment only  
No admission charged

GARFIELD COUNTY MUSEUM  
JORDAN 59337

Contact person: Ruth Coulter,  
Chairman; Darlene Saylor,  
Secretary/Treasurer

Phone number: 557-2517  
557-6220

Governing authority: County

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History and  
natural history

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Garfield county; fossils -  
complete triceratops replica

Hours and admission prices:  
June 1st - September 1  
No admission charged.

CONRAD MANSION  
P.O. BOX 1041  
WOODLAND AVE. BETWEEN 3RD AND  
4TH STREETS EAST  
KALISPELL 59901

Contact person: Sam Bibler,  
President

Phone number: 755-6558  
755-2166 (mansion)

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Restored historic  
building

Major emphasis of museum: Life in a  
Montana mansion at the turn of  
the century

Hours and admission prices:

May 15 - June 14 and

Sept 16- Oct. 15:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

June 15 - Sept. 15:

9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Adults: \$4.00

Children: \$1.00

FLATHEAD HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
318 THIRD AVENUE E.  
KALISPELL 59901

Contact person: Marie C. Hubbard,  
President

Phone number: 257-1461

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum:  
Research

Hours and admission prices:  
Not applicable

HOCKADAY CENTER FOR THE ARTS  
2ND AVE. EAST AT 3RD AVENUE  
P. O. BOX 83  
KALISPELL 59901

Contact person: Magee Nelson,  
Director

Phone number: 755-5268

Governing authority: Private (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1968

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Artists  
of the Northwest. Changing  
exhibitions monthly

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday  
No admission charged.

LAMBERT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

P. O. Box 235

LAMBERT 59243

Contact person: Caroline Klasna,  
Curator

Phone number: 774-3793

Governing authority: Independent,  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the Lambert community

Hours and admission prices:

May through September:

9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Tuesday  
and Thursday

No admission charged.



CENTRAL MONTANA MUSEUM  
408 N. E. MAIN  
LEWISTOWN 59457

Contact person: Lil Zwolle,  
President

Phone number: 538-3034

Governing authority: Private. (tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1956

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Central  
Montana area

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
No admission charged.

HIGHWAY 87 MUSEUM  
BOX 1081  
LEWISTOWN 59457

Contact person: Dick Kalal

Phone number: 538-2422

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1989

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Pioneer  
and Native American artifacts

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

12:00 noon - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

LEWISTOWN ART CENTER  
801 WEST BROADWAY  
LEWISTOWN 59457

Contact person: Garry Rafter,  
Director

Phone number: 538-8278

Founded: 1972

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Type of musuem: Art

Major emphasis of museum: regional  
art

Hours and admission prices:  
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday  
through Saturday  
7:00 pm - 9:00pm, Tuesday  
No admission charged.

HERITAGE MUSEUM  
BOX 628  
1367 HWY 2 SOUTH  
LIBBY 59923

Contact person: Inez Herrig

Phone number: 293-7521

Governing authority: Private,  
affiliated with Museum, Inc.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the northwest.

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday-  
Saturday

1:00 pm - 5:00pm, Sunday

No admission charged

LIVINGSTON DEPOT CENTER  
200 WEST PARK  
BOX 1319  
LIVINGSTON 59047

Contact person: Cynthia NeSmith,  
Director

Phone number: 222-2300

Governing authority: Livingston  
Depot Foundation

Founded: 1985

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: History  
and art

Hours and admission prices:  
Vary

PARK COUNTY MUSEUM, HOUSE OF  
MEMORIES  
118 WEST CHINOOK  
LIVINGSTON 59047

Contact person: Duane and Diana  
Whithorn

Phone number: 222-3506; 222-7956;  
222-1067

Governing authority: County;  
affiliated with Park County  
Museum Assn. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1962; building acquired  
in 1976

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: County and  
pioneer history; Yellowstone  
National Park; Northern Pacific  
Railroad; archeaology

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

12:00 to 5:00 pm, daily

Other times by appointment

Adult: \$2.00

Senior citizens \$1.00

6-18 years \$1.00

LOLO PASS VISITOR CENTER  
POWELL RANGER STATION  
LOLO 59847

Contact person: Margaret Ewing,  
District Ranger

Phone number: (208) 942-3113

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1961

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: The Lewis  
and Clark Expedition

Hours and admission prices:  
June 15 - September 15  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily

EARTH SCIENCE MUSEUM  
106 MAIN STREET  
LOMA 59460

Contact person: Evelyn Pope

Phone number: 739-4357

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1970

Type of museum: Worldwide geological and archaeological displays

Hours and admission prices:  
By appointment only



HOUSE OF A THOUSAND DOLLS

BOX 26

LOMA 59460

Contact person: Marion Britton,  
Owner

Phone number: 739-4338

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Dolls

Hours and admission prices:

June 1 - September 15:

10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Monday -

Wednesday or by appointment

No admission charged

VIRGILLE MERCANTILE  
RURAL RT. 1  
LOMA 59461

Contact person: Donald Sorensen,  
Owner

Phone number: 378-3110

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

PHILLIPS COUNTY MUSEUM  
OLD CARNEGIE LIBRARY BUILDING  
MALTA 59538

Contact person: Charles Barnard

Phone number: 658-2610

Governing authority: County. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1979

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading in Phillips Co.

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday-  
Saturday

No admission charged.

COFFRIN'S OLD WEST GALLERY  
1600 MAIN STREET  
MILES CITY 59301

Contact person: Hall Ross, Owner

Phone number: 232-3076

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: Huffman  
photos

Hours and admission prices:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Saturday  
No admission charged.

CULTURAL ALLIANCE FOR EASTERN  
MONTANA  
2715 DICKENSON  
MILES CITY 59301

Contact person: Sydney Sonneborn

Phone number: 232-3031

CUSTER COUNTY ART CENTER  
BOX 1284  
WATER PLANT ROAD  
MILES CITY 59301

Contact person: Susan McDaniel

Phone number: 232-0635

Governing authority: Private,  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: Art

Major emphasis of museum: National,  
regional and local art work

Hours and admission prices:  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Sunday  
Admission free.

RANGE RIDERS MUSEUM  
WEST OF MILES CITY ON HIGHWAY  
10 AND 12  
MILES CITY 59301

Contact person: Bob Barthelmess

Phone number: 232-4483 or 232-6146

Governing authority: Private, (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1939

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Early  
community life

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 8:00 pm, daily

Adults - \$3.00

Children - .50

GARNET PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION  
P. O. BOX 8531  
MISSOULA 59807

Contact person: Wally Wolschlager,  
Acting President

Phone number: 542-2606

Governing authority:

Founded:

Type of museum: Garnet Ghost Town

Hours and admission prices:

Open year round.

No admission charged.



HISTORICAL MUSEUM AT FORT MISSOULA  
BUILDING 322  
FORT MISSOULA  
MISSOULA 59801

Contact person: L. Jane Richards,  
Curator

Phone number: 728-3476

Governing authority: County

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: The history  
of Missoula County, and Fort  
Missoula, as well as the history of  
forest management and timber  
production in western Montana.  
Museum consists of 12 historic  
structures on a 32-acre site.

Hours and admission prices:

Memorial Day - Labor Day:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Saturday

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Sunday

Winter:

12:00 - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Sunday

Closed Mondays and major  
holidays except July 4th.

No admission charged.

MISSOULA MUSEUM OF THE ARTS  
335 NORTH PATTEE  
MISSOULA 59802

Contact person: Billie Blom,  
Office Manager

Phone number: 728-0447

Governing authority: County,  
affiliated with the Museum  
Association Foundation.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Art; restored  
historic building

Hours and admission prices:  
12:00 noon - 5:00 pm,  
Monday - Saturday  
No admission charged

MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS/PAXON GALLERY  
SCHOOL OF FINE ARTS  
UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA  
MISSOULA 59812

Contact person: Dennis Kern,  
Curator

Phone number: 243-4970

Governing authority: State. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1964

Type of museum: Art Center

Major emphasis of museum: Visual  
arts, contemporary and his-  
torical

Hours and admission prices:

11:00 am - 3:00 pm, Tuesday-  
Saturday.

Closed holidays and University  
Breaks

No admission charged.

SMOKEJUMPER BASE VISITOR CENTER  
5765 HIGHWAY 10 WEST  
BOX 6, AIRPORT TERMINAL  
MISSOULA 59801

Contact person: Wayne William,  
Manager

Phone number: 329-4934

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1961

Type of museum: History

. Major emphasis of museum: History  
of smokejumpers

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

WESTERN MONTANA GHOST TOWN PRESERVATION  
SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 2245  
MISSOULA 59807

Contact person: Helen Hammond  
2407 Raymond Ave  
Missoula 59802

Phone number: 549-2407

Governing authority: Private.  
Affiliated with the Historical  
Museum at Fort Missoula

Founded: 1971

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Ghost  
towns of Western Montana

Hours and admission prices:  
Fourth of July celebration  
at Fort Missoula  
No admission charged.

NATIONAL BISON RANGE  
MOIESE 59824

Contact person: Jon Malcolm,  
Manager

Phone number: 644-2211

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1908

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum:  
History of the bison

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 7:00 pm, daily

Winter:

8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

CABINET WILDERNESS HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
BOX 618  
NOXON 59853

Contact person: Carmen Groff,  
President

Phone number: 847-2210

Governing authority: Independent;  
Board of Directors

Founded: 1989

Type of organization: Historical  
society

Major emphasis: Promotion of the  
history of the area

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

SALISH-KOOTENAI COLLEGE LIBRARY  
AND ARCHIVES  
BOX 117  
PABLO 59855

Contact person: Bob Bigart, Librarian

Phone number: 675-4800

Governing authority: Tribal. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1979

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Tribal  
history

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
No admission charged.



LOG SCHOOLHOUSE  
BOX 813  
PLAINS 89859

Contact person: Kathryn Johnson

Phone number: 826-3533

Governing authority: Independent

Founded: 1884

Type of museum: Restored historic  
building

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Plains

Hours and admission prices:  
By appointment.

SHERIDAN COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
BOX 1153  
PLENTYWOOD 59254

Contact person: Wilma Hartze,  
Custodian

Phone number: 765-2219

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1968

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading and pioneering

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday  
through Sunday

No admission charged.

MIRACLE OF AMERICA MUSEUM  
58176 HWY. 93  
POLSON 59860

Contact person: Gil or Joanne  
Mangels

Phone number: 883-6804

Governing authority: Board of  
Directors

Founded: 1984

Type of museum: Pioneer-historical-  
vehicles-Paul Bunyan-national  
historic large vessel (boat)

Major emphasis of museum: America's  
progress

Hours and admission prices:  
May 1 - September 30  
8:00 am - 8:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday  
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Sunday  
Spring/Fall  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Other times by chance or  
appointment  
Suggested donation:  
\$1.00 per adult  
\$5.00 per family

MISSION VALLEY FRIENDS OF THE ARTS  
P. O. BOX 1156  
POLSON 59860

Contact person: Marilyn Coffee,  
Executive Director

Phone number: 883-4391

Founded: 1989

Governing authority: Private, non-  
profit.

Type of museum: Performing arts

Major emphasis: Cultural awareness;  
year around performing arts

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable

POLSON-FLATHEAD HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
Box 611  
POLSON 59860

Contact person: Ina Davis

Phone number: 883-2879

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the Flathead Valley

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am to 7:00 pm, Monday-  
Saturday

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged.

FT PECK TRIBAL MUSEUM  
ASSINIBOINE AND SIOUX TRIBES  
P. O. BOX 1027  
POPLAR 59255

Contact person: Bill Whitehead,  
Curator/Director

Phone number: 768-5155 X328

Governing authority: Board of  
Directors

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
and culture of the Assiniboine  
and Sioux tribes

Hours and admission prices:  
May - September  
8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
No admission charged.

POPLAR MUSEUM  
POPLAR 59255

Contact person: Joan Hagadone

Phone number: 768-3944  
768-5212 (museum)

Governing authority: County

Founded:

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
Fort Peck Indian reservation

Hours and admission price:

Summer:

11:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged.

CHIEF PLENTY COUPS MUSEUM  
BOX 100  
PRYOR 59066

Contact person: Mr. Harley, Park  
Manager

Phone number: 252-1289

Governing authority: State

Founded: 1938

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Crow  
Indians

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer (May - Sept.)  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
\$.50 per person 12 years and  
older or Montana State  
Parks Pass



RAVALLI SCHOOLHOUSE RESTORATION  
SOCIETY  
% SHARON HILL  
RAVALLI 59863

Contact person: Sharon Hill

Phone number: 745-4583

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Preservation  
of the schoolhouse

Hours and admission prices:  
Admission by appointment.

CARBON COUNTY ARTS GUILD  
BOX 585  
11 WEST 8TH  
RED LODGE 59068

Contact person: Marie Miller

Phone number: 446-1370 (museum)  
446-1551

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1973

Type of museum: Art center

Major emphasis of museum: Educational activities

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
12:00 - 4:00 pm, Sunday

CARBON COUNTY MUSEUM  
BOX 881  
1131 SOUTH BROADWAY  
RED LODGE 59068

Contact person: Shirley Zupan

Phone number: 446-2858

Governing authority: Carbon County  
Historical Society (Tax-exempt)  
Partially supported by Carbon  
County

Founded: 1959

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Carbon  
County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 7:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

RED LODGE ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
P. O. BOX 675  
RED LODGE 59068

Contact person: Arthur Ayers  
P. O. Box 1046  
Red Lodge 59068

Phone number: 446-1133 (office)

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: Zoo

Major emphasis of museum: Education  
and conservation

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - dusk, daily

Spring and fall:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Age 13-adult \$1.50

Age 2 - 12 \$1.00

Under 2 free

RICHEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
BOX 218  
RICHEY 59259

Contact person: Betty Whiteman,  
Secretary/Treasurer

Phone number: 773-5656

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with Richey  
Historical Society

Founded: 1973

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Homesteading  
era

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday

No admission charged.

GARDEN OF THE ROCKIES MUSEUM  
MISSION VALLEY HERITAGE ASSN.  
128 MAIN STREET S. W.  
RONAN 59864

Contact person: Cal Lindberg,  
President

Phone number: 676-4220  
676-3041

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Heritage  
of the Mission Valley

Hours and admission prices:  
May 1 - September 30  
10:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday or by appointment  
No admission charged

MUSSELSHELL VALLEY HISTORICAL MUSEUM  
524 FIRST WEST  
ROUNDUP 59072

Contact person: Dorothy Miklich  
President - 323-1751  
Shirley Parrot  
323-1662

Phone number: 323-1403 (RSVP)

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1969

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Mussel-shell Valley

Hours and admission prices:  
May through September:  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged

FLATHEAD CULTURE COMMITTEE  
BOX 418  
LONGHOUSE  
ST. IGNATIUS 59865

Contact person: Clarence Woodcock

Phone number: 745-4572

Governing authority: Tribal Council.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1975

Type of museum: Cultural program;  
archives, photographic archives,  
and library

Major emphasis: Culture, language  
and history of the Salish,  
Kootenai, Kalispel and  
Pend d'Oreille Indians

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
No admission charged.



THE FLATHEAD INDIAN MUSEUM  
P. O. BOX 460  
ST. IGNATIUS 59865

Contact person: Doug Allard, Owner  
Jeanine Allard McClure, Manager

Phone number: 745-2951

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1974

Type of museum: History and art of  
the American Indian

Major emphasis of museum: Flathead  
Indian culture

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 9:00 pm, daily

Winter:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Adults - \$2.00

Children - \$1.00

FOUR WINDS HISTORIC VILLAGE  
ST. IGNATIUS 59865

Contact person: Preston Miller,  
Owner

Phone number: 745-4336

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1969

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Restored  
historic log buildings and 1885  
Ravalli Depot; antique toys and  
trains; railroad relics; American  
Indian ethnographic material

Hours and admission prices:

June - September tours:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm or by  
appointment

Adults: \$2.50

Children \$1.00

Also Montana's oldest Indian Trading  
Post

Open daily 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

ST. IGNATIUS MISSION CHURCH  
ST. IGNATIUS 59865

Contact person: Joseph Retzel

Phone number: 745-2768

Governing authority: Private. Provincial's Office, Portland, OR.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1854

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Missionary  
efforts among the native Americans

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 8:00 pm, daily

Winter:

9:00 am to 5:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

DANIELS COUNTY MUSEUM  
BOX 2490  
SCOBEE 59263

Contact person: Linda Bellanger

Phone number: 783-5691

Governing authority: Non-Profit.

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: County  
history

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, daily

Adults: \$3.00

Children: \$1.50

MARIAS MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND ART  
206 12TH AVE. NORTH  
P. O. Box 895  
SHELBY 59474

Contact person: Deborah Crockford,  
Curator; Larry Munson, Board  
Chairman

Phone number: 434-2551. If no  
answer, try 434-7127

Governing authority: Toole County,  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1963

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Toole County; homesteading;  
oil, and the 1923 Dempsey-  
Gibbons fight

Hours and admission prices:

June through August:

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm -

9:00 pm, Monday - Friday

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Saturday

September through May

12:00 - 4:00 pm, Tuesday

Other hours by appointment

No admission charged.

MONDAK HERITAGE CINTER  
P. O. BOX 50  
120 3RD AVE. SO. EAST  
SIDNEY 59270

Contact person: Tim Cook, Director  
Marilyn Olson

Phone number: 482-3500

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History, art

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading era

Hours and admission prices:  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Sunday  
No admission charged.

Also MonDak Historical and Art  
Society

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF MACHINERY  
BOX 683  
SILVER STAR 59751

Contact person: Lloyd and Ann  
Harkins, owners

Phone number: 287-3395

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Western  
United States

Hours and admission prices:  
Not open to the public at the  
present time. Contact owners  
for an appointment.

JUDITH BASIN MUSEUM  
STANFORD 59479

Contact person: Mary Ellen Crosmer,  
Curator or Mary Reilly, Director

Phone number: 566-2974, 566-2281

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1950

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading; pioneers

Hours and admission prices:

Memorial Day - Labor Day:

9:00 am - 12:00 noon, and

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday. Saturday and Sun-  
day hours by appointment

No admission charged.



SOD BUSTER MUSEUM  
ROUTE 3  
13 MILES EAST ON HWY 87  
STANFORD 59479

Contact person: Milly Zimmer, Owner

Phone number: 423-5358

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Sod-buster  
days; rocks, gems; Indian relics

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 5:30 pm, daily

Admission by donation in

"Wishing Well"

ST. MARY'S MISSION  
P. O. BOX 211  
STEVENSVILLE 59870

Contact person: Lucylle Evans

Phone number: 777-5734

Governing authority: Board of Directors;  
Historical Preservation Trust

Founded: 1965

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: St.  
Mary's Mission

Hours and admission hours:  
April 1 to October 31:  
tours 10:00 am - 5:00 pm,  
daily. Gift shop open.  
November 1 - March 31:  
groups should make appt.  
Gift shop open.  
Suggested donation: \$2.00 per  
adult. Maintained by  
donations and gift shop

STEVENSVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
STEVENSVILLE 59870

Contact person: George Chilcott  
401 Barbara St.  
Stevensville

Phone number: 777-5569

Governing authority: State. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1970

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Fort Owen

Hours and admission prices.  
Restored barracks of Ft. Owen  
State Monument open for self-guided  
tour during daylight hours.  
No admission charged.

STEVENSVILLE MUSEUM  
P. O. BOX 450  
217 MAIN STREET  
STEVENSVILLE 59870

Contact person: Ruth H. C. Baker

Phone number: 777-3201

Governing authority: Independent

Founded: 1989

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: history  
of Stevensville and the  
Bitterroot Valley

Hours and admission prices:  
Memorial Day to Labor Day:  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm, Wednesday -  
Saturday  
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday  
No admission charged.

SUN RIVER VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
13847 HIGHWAY 200  
SUN RIVER 59843

Contact person: Mrs. Emma Toman

Phone number: 264-5572

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Local  
history

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable; no museum.

MINERAL COUNTY MUSEUM  
BOX 533  
OLD HOSPITAL BUILDING  
SUPERIOR 59872

Contact person: Deborah J. Davis,  
Curator

Phone number: 822-4078

Governing authority: County,  
affiliated with Mineral County  
Historical Society

Founded: 1977

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of Mineral County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, Tuesday -  
Friday

No admission charged.

OLD JAIL MUSEUM  
7 BLUE SLIDE ROAD (mail)  
CORNER MAIDEN LANE AND MADISON  
THOMPSON FALLS 59873

Contact person: Joyce Bybee,  
Vice-president of Board

Phone number: 827-3496

Governing authority: Private;  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1980

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic building

Major emphasis of museum: Sanders  
County

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

No admission charged.

HEADWATERS HERITAGE MUSEUM  
BOX 682  
THREE FORKS 59752

Contact person: Ruth Myers, Curator

Phone number: 285-3495

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1978

Type of museum: General

Major emphasis of museum: Three  
Forks area

Hours and admission prices:

Memorial Day to Labor Day:

9:00 am - 11:00 am and

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Monday -  
Saturday

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Sunday

No admission charged.



BROADWATER COUNTY MUSEUM AND  
HISTORICAL LIBRARY  
TOWNSEND 59644

Contact person: Rose Flynn, Director  
266-3580

Phone number: 266-5252 (museum)

Governing authority: Private,  
affiliated with Broadwater Co.  
Historical Society. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1970; Museum opened in 1976.

Type of museum: History and general

Major emphasis of museum: History of  
Broadwater County

Hours and admission prices:  
Mid-May through mid-September:  
12:30 pm - 5:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged.

TROUT CREEK SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER  
TROUT CREEK 59874

Contact person: Eunice Conners

Phone number: 827-4461

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1980

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Trout  
Creek area

Hours and admission prices:  
To be announced.

TROY MUSEUM AND VISITOR CENTER  
P. O. BOX 771  
TROY 59935

Contact person: Eugene J. Hogan, Jr.

Phone number: 295-5377

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the area

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 7:00 pm, Monday-  
Saturday.

No admission charged.

UTICA MUSEUM  
BOX 29  
UTICA 59452

Contact person: Barbara Twiford

Phone number: 423-5208

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Home-  
steading

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Saturday  
and Sunday or by  
appointment

No admission charged.

PONDERA HISTORY ASSOCIATION  
VALIER 59486

Contact person: Harold Olson

Phone number: 278-5585

Governing authority: Independent  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1967

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis: History of the  
community

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable. No museum

PONDERA HISTORY ASSOCIATION  
VALIER 59486

Contact person: Harold Olson

Phone number: 278-5585

Governing authority: Independent  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1967

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis: History of the  
community

Hours and admission prices: Not  
applicable. No museum

BOVEY RESTORATIONS  
VIRGINIA AND NEVADA CITIES  
59755

Contact person: Bruce D. McCallum,  
General Manager

Phone number: 843-5377

Governing authority: Private,  
affiliated with Historic  
Landmarks Society

Founded: 1947

Type of museum: History; restored  
historic buildings

Major emphasis of museum: Mining  
and social history

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 to dark, daily

Nevada City Museum (includes  
Train Museum and train ride)

Age 12 - adult: \$5.00

Age 5-11 \$2.50

Under 5 with adult free

Train Museum and ride only

Age 12 - adult \$3.00

Age 5-11 \$1.50

THOMPSON HICKMAN MUSEUM  
VIRGINIA CITY 59755

Contact person: Dick Pace

Phone number: 543-5386

Governing authority: County and  
private

Founded: 1916

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Local  
history before 1930

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.



VIRGINIA CITY MADISON COUNTY MUSEUM  
VIRGINIA CITY 59755

Contact person: Jim Edwards, Curator

Phone number: 682-7107

Governing authority: Private. (Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1942

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Local  
history

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK STUDY  
COLLECTION  
WEST GLACIER PARK 59936

Contact person: Bruce Fladmark,  
Cultural Resource Specialist

Phone number: 151-1-888-5441

Governing authority: Federal,  
affiliated with Glacier Natural  
History Association

Founded: 1910

Type of museum: Research; no displays

Major emphasis of museum: Glacier  
National Park and preservation  
of its history; scientific  
collection

Hours and admission prices:  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
Admission for research purposes  
only.  
Advance appointment necessary  
No admission charged.

GLACIER NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION  
GLACIER NATIONAL PARK  
WEST GLACIER 59936

Contact person: Nola Morey, Business  
Manager

Phone number: 888-5441

Governing authority: Independent.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1946

Type of museum: Natural history

Major emphasis of museum: Natural  
history of the area

Hours and admission prices:  
Not applicable

OLD ST. MARY RANGER STATION  
GLACIER NATIONAL PARK  
WEST GLACIER 59936

Contact person: Lynne Murdock,  
District Interpreter

Phone number: 732-4421

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1909

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Park  
ranger items

Hours and admission prices:  
July and August:  
Check with visitor center  
No admission charged.

MADISON RIVER CANYON EARTHQUAKE  
VISITOR CENTER  
P. O. BOX 520  
WEST YELLOWSTONE 59758

Contact person: John Haney

Phone number: 646-7369

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1967

Type of museum: Natural history

Major emphasis of museum: Earth-  
quake of 1959

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

MUSEUM OF FLY FISHING  
P. O. BOX 1088  
200 YELLOWSTONE AVENUE  
WEST YELLOWSTONE 59758

Contact person: Louise Graham

Phone number: 646-9541

Governing authority: International  
Board of Directors

Founded: 1984

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
and practice of fly-fishing

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

11:00 am - 8:00 pm, daily

No admission charged.

MUSEUM OF THE YELLOWSTONE  
P. O. BOX 411  
125 YELLOWSTONE AVENUE  
WEST YELLOWSTONE 59758

Contact persons: Lee Janetski, Sec/Treas  
P. O. Box 1564  
Great Falls, MT 59401  
761-5400 (work)

Joel Janetski, Pres.  
276 North 2520 West  
Provo, Utah 84601  
(801) 378-5435 (work)

Phone number: 646-7814

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History; anthropology,  
natural history

Major emphasis of museum: Northern  
Plains Indians, railroads, Yellow-  
stone Park, wildlife of the Park;  
special exhibits featuring western  
art, bears and the Yellowstone  
fire

Hours and admission prices:

Mother's Day - October 1  
9:00 am - 10:00 pm, daily

Adults: \$3.75

Children \$2.00

Family \$8.00

Special rates for Senior Citizens  
and tours.

STUMPTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF  
FLATHEAD COUNTY, INC.  
BOX 1904  
WHITEFISH 59937

Contact person: Gladys Fredenberg

Phone number: 862-3502  
862-3368 (home)

Governing authority: Private

Founded: 1982

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Whitefish  
history - railroad, lumbering,  
school and town

Hours and admission prices:  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Monday -  
Friday  
Open Saturday in summer



THE CASTLE, MEAGHER COUNTY HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY  
4TH AVE AND JEFFERSON  
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS 59645

Contact person: Polly S. Hanson,  
Treasurer of Meagher County  
Historical Association  
Box 389  
White Sulphur Springs 59645

Phone number: 547-3744

Governing authority: Private;  
affiliated with Meagher County  
Historical Society (tax-exempt)

Founded: 1962

Type of museum: Restored historic  
building

Major emphasis of museum: Life  
in 1895

Hours and admission prices:  
Summer:  
10:00 am - 6:00 pm, daily  
Adults: \$3.00  
Children or Seniors \$2.00  
Tours (10 or more)  
Per person \$2.00

BIG HOLE NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD  
WISDOM 59761

Contact person: Eddie Lopez,  
Park Superintendent  
846-2070

Phone number: 689-3155

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1883

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Nez  
Perce War of 1877 and the  
Battle of the Big Hole

Hours and admission prices:  
Memorial Day to Labor Day:  
8:00 am - 8:00 pm, daily  
Other times:  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
Adult: \$1:00  
Per car: \$3.00

WOLF POINT AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
MUSEUM  
BOX 977  
200 2ND AVENUE SOUTH  
WOLF POINT 59201

Contact person: Dona Nygaard

Phone number: 653-1912

Governing authority: County. (Tax-  
exempt)

Founded: 1972

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Homestead-  
ing and life in the West

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

10:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday -

Friday

No admission charged.

LOCHSA HISTORIC RANGER STATION  
HIGHWAY 12, WEST OF MISSOULA  
LOCHSA RANGER DISTRICT  
KOOSKIA, ID 83539

Contact person: Mel Fowlkes,  
Resource Technician

Phone number: 926-4275

Governing authority: U. S. Forest  
Service

Founded: 1976

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the early-day, back-country  
ranger station

Hours and admission prices:  
Memorial Day - Labor Day:  
9:00 am - 5:00 pm, daily  
No admission charged.

HORACE M. ALBRIGHT VISITOR CENTER  
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK  
MAMMOTH HOT SPRINGS  
WYOMING 82190

Contact person: Greg Kroll

Phone number: (307) 344-7381  
extension 2357

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1921

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: History  
of the park

Hours and admission prices:

Summer:

8:00 am - 7:00 pm, daily

Winter:

8:30 am - 5:00 pm, daily

Park entrance admission only.

YELLOWSTONE ASSOCIATION FOR NATURAL  
SCIENCE, HISTORY AND EDUCATION,  
INC.  
P. O. BOX 117  
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK  
WYOMING 82190

Contact person: Patricia Cole,  
Executive Director

Phone number: (307) 344-7381, X2352

Governing authority: Independent.  
(Tax-exempt)

Founded: 1933

Type of museum: History

Major emphasis of museum: Histo-  
rical reference library; Big Hole  
Battlefield

Hours and admission prices:  
1:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday,  
Wednesday, Friday  
8:30 am - 12:00 noon, Tuesday  
and Thursday

YELLOWSTONE RESEARCH/REFERENCE  
LIBRARY  
ALBRIGHT VISITOR CENTER  
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK  
MAMMOTH, WYOMING 82190

Contact person: Tom Pankersley,  
Park Historian

Phone number: (307) 344-7381  
extension 2358

Governing authority: Federal

Founded: 1962

Type of museum: Historical library  
and archives

Major emphasis of museum: research  
library, manuscript collection,  
museum collection, branch of  
National Archives, photographic  
archives.

Hours and admission prices:  
12:00 noon - 5:00 pm, Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday  
8:30 am - 12:00 noon, Tuesday  
and Thursday.  
Or by appointment

## CROSS REFERENCE BY INSTITUTIONS

Absaroka Fine Arts - Absarokee  
Albright Visitor Center - Mammoth, WY  
Anaconda-Deer Lodge Co Historical  
Society - Anaconda  
Arts Chateau - Butte  
Bainville Museum - Bainville  
Beaverhead County Museum - Dillon  
Belt Museum Association - Belt  
Big Hole Nat'l Battlefield - Wisdom  
Big Horn Co. Hist. Museum - Hardin  
Bighorn Canyon Nat'l Recreation  
Area - Ft. Smith  
Blaine County Museum - Chinook  
Bovey Restorations - Virginia and Nevada  
Cities  
Archie Bray Foundation - Helena  
Broadwater Co. Museum - Townsend  
Butte Historical Society - Butte  
Butte-Silver Bow Public Archives - Butte  
Cabinet Wilderness Hist. Soc. - Noxon  
Carbon County Arts Guild - Red Lodge  
Carbon County Museum - Red Lodge  
Carter County Museum - Ekalaka  
Cascade Co. Hist. Museum - Great Falls  
The Castle - White Sulphur Springs  
Central Montana Museum - Lewistown  
Charging Bear Indian Museum - Ennis  
Chief Plenty Coups Museum - Pryor  
Clack Memorial Museum - Havre  
Coffrin's Old West Gallery - Miles City  
Conrad Mansion - Kalispell  
Cooke City & New World Museum - Cooke City  
Copper King Mansion - Butte  
Copper Village Museum - Anaconda  
Cultural Alliance/Eastern MT - Miles City  
Custer Battlefield Assn. - Crow Agency  
Custer Battlefield - Crow Agency



Custer County Art Center - Miles City  
Daly Mansion - Hamilton  
Daniels County Museum - Scobey  
Earth Science Museum - Loma  
Flathead Culture Committee - St. Ignatius  
Flathead Historical Society - Kalispell  
Flathead Indian Museum - St. Ignatius  
Ft. Assiniboine Preservation Assn. - Havre  
Ft. Peck Tribal Museum - Poplar  
Four Winds Historic Village - St. Ignatius  
Frontier Gateway Museum - Glendive  
Frontier Town - Helena  
Gallatin County Hist. Society - Bozeman  
Garden of the Rockies Museum - Ronan  
Garfield County Museum - Jordan  
Garnet Preservation Association - Missoula  
Glacier Co. Historical Society - Cutbank  
Glacier Pk. Study Collection - West Glacier  
Glacier Natural Hist. Assn. - West Glacier  
Grant-Kohrs Ranch - Deer Lodge  
Great Falls Genealogy Soc. - Great Falls  
Headwaters Heritage Museum - Three Forks  
Heritage Museum - Libby  
Highway 87 Museum - Lewistown  
Historical Museum at Ft. Missoula - Missoula  
Hockaday Center for the Arts - Kalispell  
Holter Museum of Art - Helena  
House of a Thousand Dolls - Loma  
Huntly Project Museum of Irrigated  
Agriculture - Ballentine  
Jailhouse Gallery - Hardin  
Judith Basin Museum - Stanford  
Junction City Memorial Park - Custer  
Kootenai Cultural Program - Elmo  
Lambert Historical Society - Lambert  
Last Chance Gulch Assn. - Helena  
Lewis and Clark Co. Hist. Soc. - Helena  
Lewistown Art Center - Lewistown

Liberty County Museum Assn. - Chester  
Liberty Village Arts Center - Chester  
Little Red School House Museum - Helena  
Livingston Depot Center - Livingston  
Lochsa Hist. Ranger Station - Kooskia, ID  
Log Schoolhouse - Plains  
Lolo Pass Visitor Center - Lolo  
Madison River Canyon Earthquake Visitor  
Center - West Yellowstone  
Malmstrom Historical Society - Great Falls  
Marias Museum of History and Art - Shelby  
McCone County Museum - Circle  
Mehmke's Steam Museum - Great Falls  
Mineral County Museum - Superior  
Mineral Museum - Butte  
Miracle of America Museum - Polson  
Mission Valley Friends of the Arts - Polson  
Missoula Museum of the Arts - Missoula  
Mondak Heritage Center - Sidney  
Montana Agricultural Center/ Museum of the  
Northern Great Plains - Fort Benton  
MAGDA (Montana Art Gallery Dealers Assn.) -  
Great Falls  
Montana Arts Council - Helena  
Montana Historical Society - Helena  
Montana Institute of the Arts Foundation -  
Bozeman  
MT Law Enforcement Museum - Deer Lodge  
Moss Mansion - Billings  
Museum of the Beartooths - Columbus  
Museum of Fine Arts/Paxson Gallery - Msls  
Museum of Fly Fishing - West Yellowstone  
Museum of Montana Wildlife - Browning  
Museum of the Plains Indian - Browning  
Museum of the Rockies - Bozeman  
Museum of the Rocks - Fort Peck  
Museum of the Upper Missouri - Fort Benton  
Museum of the Yellowstone - W. Yellowstone

Salish-Kootenai College Library - Pablo  
Sheridan Co. Hist. Museum - Plentywood  
Smokejumper Base Visitor Center - Missoula  
Sod Buster Museum - Stanford  
Southwest Montana Art Gallery - Dillon  
Stevensville Hist. Society - Stevensville  
Stevensville Museum - Stevensville  
Stillwater Historical Society - Absarokee  
Stumptown Historical Society - Whitefish  
Sun River Valley Hist. Society - Sun River  
Thompson Hickman Museum - Virginia City  
Tobacco Valley Improvement Assn. - Eureka  
Towe Ford Museum - Deer Lodge  
Trout Creek Senior Citizen's Center -  
    Trout Creek  
Troy Museum and Visitor Center - Troy  
Upper Musselshell Hist. Soc. - Harlowtown  
Utica Museum - Utica  
Valley County Pioneer Museum - Glasgow  
Virgelle Mercantile - Loma  
Virginia City Madison Co. Museum -  
    Virginia City  
Western Heritage Center - Billings  
Western Montana College Gallery/Museum -  
    Dillon  
Western Montana Ghost Town Preservation  
    Society - Missoula  
Wolf Point Area Hist. Society - Wolf Point  
World Museum of Mining - Butte  
Yellowstone Art Center - Billings  
Yellowstone Assn. for Natural Science,  
    History & Education - Yellowstone  
    Park, WY  
Yellowstone Research/Reference Library -  
    Mammoth, WY  
Yellowtail Visitor Center - Hardin  
Yesterday's Playthings - Deer Lodge